## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Local Line America,
Inc., for Approval of a Resale Agreement Under the
Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Case No. TO-2002-491

## ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY A PARTY

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the resale agreement, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, as a party to this proceeding.

On April 24, 2002, Local Line America, Inc. filed an application with the Commission for approval of a resale agreement with Southwestern Bell under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Local Line states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest. Local Line requests expeditious approval of the agreement.

Although Southwestern Bell is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because Southwestern Bell is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a

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- 4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than May 28, 2002.
  - 5. That this order shall become effective on May 6, 2002.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hoke Hard Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of April, 2002.